## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1101**

## By Sparks

A RESOLUTION to commend Christopher Kandt for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Kandt is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Representative Mike Sparks. Chris's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Chris considers himself truly blessed to have been an intern for Representative Sparks, whom he believes to be an earnest, bold, and righteous man; and

WHEREAS, currently a junior at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), where he is highly respected by his peers, Chris Kandt has excelled academically, while pursuing his bachelor's degree in political science with a minor in German and participating in numerous organizations, such as Campus Crusaders for Christ and Central Baptist Church of Fountain City in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, he has developed exceptional leadership skills as a Resident Assistant with MTSU Housing and Administration and as a member on MTSU's Judicial Board; and

WHEREAS, Chris loves his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and strives to walk with Him everyday; he also enjoys reading, playing chess, swimming, ultimate frisbee, running, traveling to new places, experiencing new cultures, and spending time in fellowship with friends, both new and old, especially in sharing the faith; and

WHEREAS, he truly exhibits a servant's heart, modeling his life by the example his Lord set forth and, upon learning of a young man who found himself homeless through a series of unfortunate circumstances, Chris took the man into his home and became his true friend, changing this young man's life through his own selflessness; and

WHEREAS, Chris Kandt looks forward to the career he will eventually find, knowing it will be fulfilling and a wonderful act of worship; and

WHEREAS, Chris would like to express his love and gratitude for his Father God, his parents, Charles Alfred Kandt and Canda Sue Kandt, and his sisters, Anna Marie Kandt and Elizabeth Ann Kandt, all of whom have done an exceptional job in offering their love, wisdom, faith, and support throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Kandt brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2012 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Chris Kandt has proven himself a trustworthy and diligent worker and served Representative Mike Sparks well during his internship; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2012 legislative session, he has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Chris Kandt has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Christopher Kandt for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Mike Sparks and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.